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Excise Officer Rides 186 Miles to Honor Fallen Officers

HUNTINGBURG (July 18) – Indiana State Excise Police Officer Charles Butler rode 186 miles over three days this week in honor of fallen police officers.

Officer Butler was participating in the annual COPS Cycling for Survivors bicycle ride, which helps raise money for families of officers who have died in the line of duty.

Officer Butler, who trains year-round for this week's event, rode a total of 186 miles from Covington to Huntingburg over three days. Sunday the group rode 48 miles from Covington to Terre Haute. Monday they rode 88 miles from Terre Haute to Princeton. And Tuesday they rode 50 miles from Princeton to Huntingburg.

In addition to cycling, riders stopped at the gravesites of fallen police officers and met with their survivors.

This year's COPS Cycling for Survivors ride is in honor of Terre Haute Police Department Officer Brent Long and his K-9 partner, Shadow, who were shot and killed last year while serving a warrant.

Indiana State Excise Police officers are the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol & Tobacco Commission.